

I would urge the FCC to not pass legislation requiring a broadcast flag. The choice of device should be left to consumers and providers. Under digital television providers could send out a signal which is only unencryptable by systems which meet certain guidelines. Thus the customers remain free to purchase the device of their choice and the content producers remain free to restrict what devices they distribute their signal too. There is no need to create criminal law governing what types of electronics can and cannot be sold. Let this be negotiated directly between consumers and producers on an individual basis.